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21st Century Librarian Mentoring Program

Why Mentoring?

The Mentoring Program is designed to link prospective librarians, library students, and librarians just beginning their careers with library professionals who have working knowledge and experience to share.

21st Century librarian mentors will

- Guide library workers and others who are interested in pursuing education in library studies.
- Inform mentees about the scholarship, stipend, and internship opportunities to support their education and skill development in library studies and library work.
- Assist mentees in becoming knowledgeable about the library field and library job opportunities
- Assist mentees in finding work in Nebraska libraries and in developing professional skills to enhance their library careers.
- Assist mentees in developing strategies to be successful in Library Technical Assistant, Bachelor's, School Library Media and MLS educational programs.

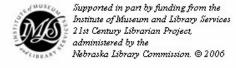
A mentor encourages by

- Investing time and energy in building a relationship of trust, privacy, and confidentiality
- Listening without giving advice
- Motivating and modeling
- Stimulating self-awareness
- Expecting excellence, not perfection
- Leading the way to a personalized career path
- Highlighting and celebrating progress and growth
- Laughing; a little humor at the right time can go a long way!

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http://www.nlc.state.ne.us/NowHiring/Mentoring.asp

Why Be a Mentor?

- Gain new insights and knowledge about your profession
- Increase your job satisfaction and reflect on your own professional development
- Develop and improve your listening and communication skills
- Share your expertise and experiences
- Keep up with changes in your profession
- Pass on your professional legacy

Why Be Mentored?

- Develop your career plan
- Get help identifying and overcoming barriers to your success
- Gain greater job satisfaction
- Practice communicating, negotiating, decision-making, and self-assessment skills in a safe environment
- Build your professional network and participate in professional activities with guidance from a professional sponsor

Outstanding mentors are intentional.

Outstanding mentors invest time and energy in building a relationship of trust, privacy, and confidentiality.

Outstanding mentors pass on their professional legacy.

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